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SUBJECT: ROLE OF A.I.D. IN NARCOTICS PROGRAMS

REFERENCES: A) MARTIN-OGLESBY MEMORANDUM OF APRIL 22, 1975;

1. IN RESPONSE TO GENERAL ISSUES RAISED IN REF A CONCERNING
ROLE OF AID VIS-A-VIS GOC AND OTHER USG AGENCIES IN CON-
DUCT OF NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAMS, WE HEREBY REAFIRM
POLICY SET FORTH BY SENIOR ADVISOR IN PARA 4 OF REF B. WE
BELIEVE THAT DOCUMENTATION AND PROCEDURES FOLLOWED BY THE
USAID IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF OTHER PROGRAMS SHOULD BE
APPLIED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF PROJECT AGREEMENTS FOR
NARCOTICS CONTROL. THIS WOULD INCLUDE PROCEDURES USED FOR
DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS. OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT SENIOR ADVISOR
HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY REQUESTS FROM THE MISSION TO AUTHORIZE
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EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY.

2. IN RESPONSE TO THE SPECIFIC QUESTION RAISED IN REF A CONCERNING ORGANIZATIONS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A " PROJECT ADVANCE" UNDER A NARCOTICS PROJECT AGREEMENT, WE AGREE THAT FUNDS SHOULD ONLY BE ADVANCED TO THE "GRANTEE". WE HAVE FOUND THAT ELSEWHERE THE PRACTICE OF WORKING AN ADVANCE DIRECTLY TO THE GRANTEE HOST COUNTRY INSTITUTION

IS AN EFFECTIVE METHOD OF DISBURSING FUNDS. THE ADVANCE COULD BE REPLENISHED ON A REGULAR BASIS OR AS NEEDED. IF IT IS DESIRABLE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COUNTRY TEAM COULD COUNTERSIGN OR VERIFY DOCUMENTATION PRESENTED TO USAID BY HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS.

3. REGARDING ATTACHMENT NO. 3 OF REF A WE HEREBY CONCUR WITH REQUEST TO AMEND DAS PROJECT AGREEMENT TO SUBSTITUTE "OTHER COST" LANGUAGE OF PROAG NO. 7 (NATIONAL POLICE) FOR PARA "A" OF DAS AGREEMENT. AS FOR ADEQUACY OF DOCUMENTATION FOR "OTHER COST" DISBURSEMENTS UNDER ANY PROJECT AGREEMENT WE ASSUME THAT USAID CAN STRUCTURE PROJECT

ADVANCE SYSTEM TO RESOLVE ANY DOCUMENTATION PROBLEMS THAT MAY ARISE.

4. STATE 140525 PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH CCINC CAN PAY FOR OPERATIONAL SUPPORT COSTS. KISSINGER

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